

ny, their successors or assigns, are hereby authorized to extend its road across that part of the Mississippi river within the jurisdiction of the state of Minnesota, and to connect the same with any railroad in the state of Wisconsin, and to build, lease or maintain a bridge across said river at or from any point within three miles above or below the present depot buildings of said company's railroad opposite the city of La Crosse, Wisconsin, to such point on the east bank of said river as may be designated, or authorized by the state of Wisconsin, said bridge shall be so constructed with a suitable draw or draws as not to materially impede or incommode the navigation of said river.

Authorized to build a bridge.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

When act to take effect.

Approved March 5, 1868.

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CHAPTER III.

An Act to amend an act entitled "An Act to facilitate the construction of the Southern Minnesota Railroad, and to amend and continue certain acts in relation thereto."

March 5, 1868.

SECTION 1. Preamble—Minnesota Valley Railroad to construct spur track from main track to bank of River opposite St. Peter—when said track to be built—Borough of St. Peter to construct bridge across Minnesota River—payments to be made by Company to St. Peter to aid in the construction of said Bridge—money to be refunded to said Company upon failure to build and complete the same within three years.

2. Repeal of conflicting acts.
3. When act to take effect.

Whereas, The Minnesota Valley Railroad company by section five, of chapter two, of an act entitled "an act to facilitate the construction of the Southern Minnesota Railroad, and to amend and continue certain acts in relation thereto," approved March fourth, eighteen hundred and

Preamble.

sixty-four, was authorized to construct its road on the present located line thereof, except so far as it may be necessary to alter the same for engineering purposes; and

Whereas, A preliminary line for location of said road was run through the villages of Travers de Sioux and St. Peter; and

Whereas, It is represented that great engineering difficulties exist in the construction of said road on said original surveyed line, therefore

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

SECTION 1. That the Minnesota Valley Railroad company is hereby authorized to locate, construct and operate its road through the county of Le Sueur upon the east side of the Minnesota river; *Provided*, That the said Minnesota Valley Railroad company shall construct and maintain a spur track from the main track opposite St. Peter, to a suitable station building for freight and passengers near the east bank of the river at the present ferry at St. Peter, and shall thereafter run regular trains to said station when practicable; said spur track to be constructed immediately after the completion of the main track to a point opposite St. Peter, unless prevented by high water, and said spur track to be built above highest known water. In consideration of said building of spur track and station house and of the money payments hereinafter required to be made by the said company to the borough of St. Peter, the said borough of St. Peter shall construct within three years after the passage of this act, and shall thereafter maintain and keep in good repair, a good and substantial bridge for wagon travel over the Minnesota river at or near the site of the present ferry at St. Peter, the said bridge to be and always remain a free bridge for public travel. On the first day of June, eighteen hundred and sixty-eight, the said railroad company shall pay to the order of the borough of Saint Peter, to aid in the construction of said bridge, two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2500), and in each year thereafter on the first day of June, shall pay to the order of the borough of St. Peter two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2500), until twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000), including the first payment or so much thereof as may be necessary to complete the said bridge and its approaches shall have been so paid. In case the said borough of St. Peter shall fail to build

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To build bridge
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and complete the said bridge within three years after the passage of this act, then the money payments which may have been made under this act by the said Railroad company shall be refunded to said company by the said borough of St. Peter. The said borough of St. Peter shall provide and give to the said Railroad company the right of way through the land belonging to the so called St. Peter company and shall provide and give to the said Railroad company suitable depot grounds at the point herein named for the station building, including five (5) acres of land.

In case of failure money to be refunded.

SEC. 2. So much of all acts or parts of acts as conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

Repeal of inconsistent acts.

SEC. 3. This act shall take effect from and after its passage.

When act to take effect.

Approved March 5, 1868.

CHAPTER IV.

An Act to amend an act entitled "an act to amend an act entitled an act to facilitate the construction of the Minneapolis and Cedar Valley Railroad and to amend and continue certain acts in relation thereto," approved February first (1st), eighteen hundred and sixty-four, (1864).

March 5, 1868.

SECTION 1. Amendment to Section 20 of Chapter 2 of Special Laws of 1864. To whom duly authorized persons may make payment of damages assessed.

2. When act to take effect.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

SECTION 1. That section twenty (20) of an act entitled "an act to amend an act entitled an act to facilitate the construction of the Minneapolis and Cedar Valley Railroad and to amend and continue certain acts in relation